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Figure S1 B A PIM1 Expression PV ET normalised relative expression 0.8 0.6 0.4 V617F →JAK2 wt JAK2 V617F 0 0.01 0.1 3 [Epo] (U/ml) C D wt V617F } PV 100 wt V617F } ET JAK2 wt 100 80 80 60 % cells % cells 60 40 JAK2 V617F het 40 20 20 0 V617F V617F GPA int CD71+ GPAhi CD71+ GPAhi CD71 PV ET ► GPA orthochromatic erythroblast polychromatophilic erythroblast basophilic erythroblast proerythroblast

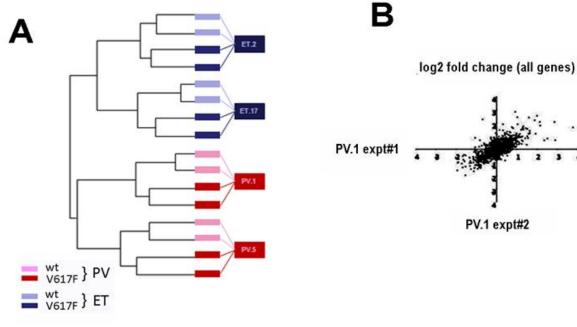
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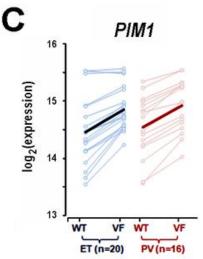
(A) Analysis of *PIM1* expression by quantative RT-PCR in wild-type and V617F-heterozygous BFU-e colonies grown at 0.01, 0.1, 1 and 3 U/ml erythropoietin (EPO). Levels of *PIM1* transcripts for each colony genotype are shown relative to expression in colonies grown at 3 U/ml EPO. Significant differences in expression between wild-type and V617F-heterozygous BFU-E's were observed only in colonies grown at 0.01 and 0.1 U/ml EPO. All PCRs were standardized to β -actin and performed in triplicate. Each point represents the mean \pm S.D. for 3 independent reactions.

(B) Representative colonies from wild-type and V617F-heterozygous BFU-E's from PV and ET patients. No obvious differences in colony size or morphology were observed. Scale bars indicate 50 μm.

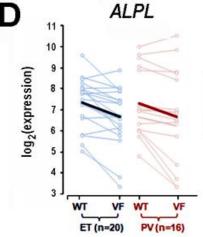
- **(C)** FACS analyses assessing expression of glycophorin A (GPA) and CD71 in wild-type and V617F-heterozygous BFU-E's grown at 0.01 U/ml EPO. No significant differences were observed in the percentages of GPA^{int}CD71⁺, GPA^{hi}CD71⁺ and GPA^{hi}CD71⁻ subpopulations between the two colony genotypes in PV and ET patients. The results represent the mean ± S.D. for 3 PV and 3 ET patients.
- **(D)** Cells of the erythroid series were scored from cytospins generated from wild-type and V617-heterozygous BFU-E's pooled from 2 PV and 2 ET patients. No differences in the proportion of cells at the different stages of erythroid differentiation were observed. Black bar: proerythbolast; dark grey: basophilic erythroblast, light grey: polychromatophilic erythroblast; white: orthochromatic erythroblast. Error bars denote standard deviation.

Figure S2





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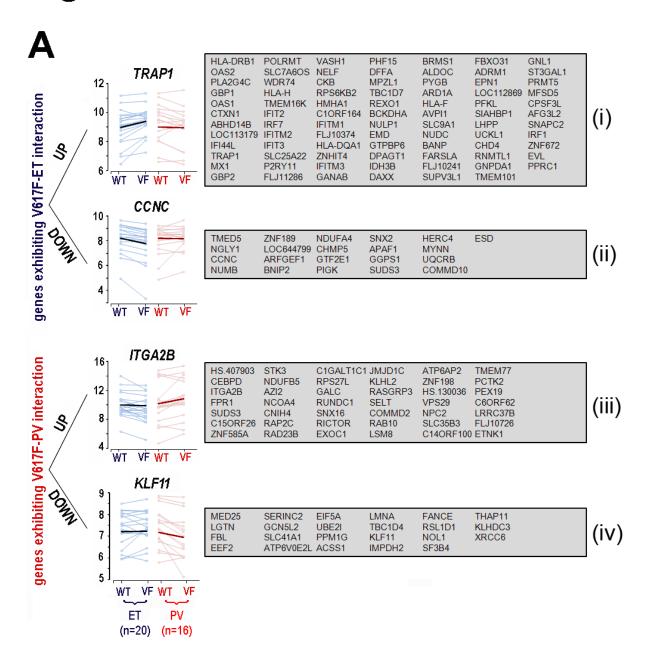
Figure S2, related to Figure 2.

- (A) Hierarchical clustering of expression profiles generated from initial and repeat samples derived from 2 ET and 2 PV patients. Datasets from PV patients (PV.1 and PV.5) are depicted as light red for expression profiles from wild-type erythroblasts and dark red for expression profiles from V617F-heterozygous erythroblasts, with each patient connected by a line to their four expression profiles. Datasets for ET patients (ET.2 and ET.17) are similarly depicted as light blue for expression profiles from wild-type erythroblasts and dark blue for expression profiles from V617F-heterozygous erythroblasts.
- **(B)** Log-log scatter plot comparison of gene expression patterns for all genes (expressed as log2-ratio of expression in V617F-heterozygous relative to autologous wild-type erythbroblasts) in independently run experiments for patient PV.1 reveals strong concordance in expression profile.
- (C) List of 201 genes exhibiting up-regulation in V617F-heterozygous erythroblasts relative to autologous wild-type controls across all samples irrespective of MPN subtype (minimum fold change, 1.3; p-values ≤ 0.0034). Interaction plot depicting increased expression of a representative gene *PIM1* in V617F-heterozygous erythroblasts relative to autologous wild-type controls is shown. For each individual, the gene expression as measured on the microarrays is shown for wild-type (WT) and V617F-heterozygous (VF) erythroblasts, and the corresponding values are connected by solid lines. Individual ET patients are depicted in light blue, individual PV patients are depicted in light red, and the average of all patients for each disease type shown overlayed using a dark line.
- **(D)** List of 22 genes exhibiting down-regulation in V617F-heterozygous erythroblasts relative to autologous wild-type controls across all samples irrespective of MPN subtype (minimum fold change, 1.3; p-values \leq 0.0034). Interaction plot depicting decreased expression of a representative gene, *ALPL*, is shown, as described above.

Table S1, related to Figure 2. Clinical details of MPN patients studied.

Feature	PV (n=16)	ET (n=20)	р
Demographic Characteristics			
Male Sex - no. (%)	8 (50)	10 (50)	1.0
Median age at diagnosis - yr (range)	63 (12-80)	58 (29-90)	0.8
Laboratory and clinical features at diagnosis			
Hemoglobin - g/litre			
Mean	181 ± 23	142 ± 11	< 0.0001
Median (range)	181 (128-225)	144 (121-162)	
Platelet count - x10 ⁻³ /mm ³			
Mean	618 ± 297	933 ± 362	0.01
Median (range)	555 (138-1139)	811 (544-2030)	
Neutrophil count - x10 ⁻³ /mm ³			
Mean	8.2 ± 2.8	6.2 ± 1.6	0.03
Median (range)	8.1 (2.4-13.6)	6.1 (3.2-10.2)	
Laboratory and clinical features /at sample collection Median disease duration - mo. (range)	35 (0-158)	23 (2-102)	0.3
Treatment - no. (%)			
None	1 (6)	0 (0)	0.3
Aspirin or other antiplatelet agent only	3 (19)	9 (45)	0.1
Hydroxyurea	12 (75)	10 (50)	0.1
Anagrelide	0 (0)	1 (5)	0.4

Figure S3



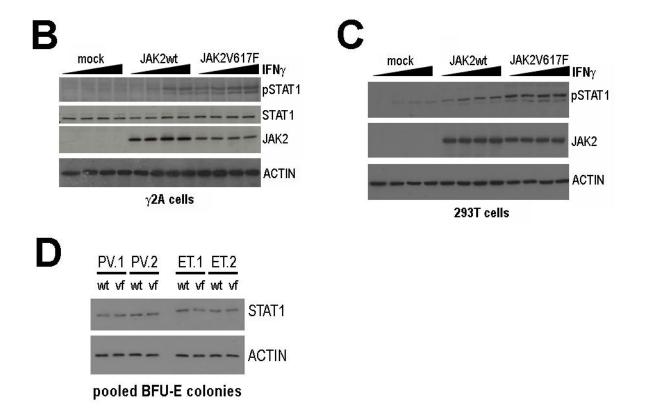


Figure S3, related to Figure 3.

- (A) List of 171 genes exhibiting significant interaction between the *JAK2V617F* mutation and disease subtype which fell into four groups defined by their patterns of behavior. For genes exhibiting significant interaction between the *JAK2V617F* mutation and ET, 83 genes were up-regulated in mutant erythroblasts (i), and 21 genes were down-regulated in mutant erythroblasts (ii). For genes exhibiting significant interaction between the *JAK2V617F* mutation and PV, 40 genes were up-regulated in mutant erythroblasts (iii), and 24 genes were down-regulated in mutant erythroblasts (iv). Interaction plots depicting a representative gene from each of these four groups (i-iv) are shown. For each individual, the gene expression as measured on the microarrays is shown for wild-type (WT) and V617F-heterozygous (VF) erythroblasts, and the corresponding values are connected by solid lines. Individual ET patients are depicted in light blue, individual PV patients are depicted in light red, and the average of all patients for each disease type shown overlayed using a dark line.
- **(B)** Western immunoblot analyses of JAK2-null γ 2A cells mock transfected or transfected with either wild-type JAK2 or JAK2V617F and treated with 0, 1, 10 and 100 ng/ml IFN γ for 15'. Elevated STAT1 phosphorylation on tyrosine-701 is seen in JAK2V617F-transfected cultures at all doses tested.

- **(C)** Analysis of pSTAT1 levels in 293T cells transfected with wild-type JAK2 or JAK2V617F and treated with 0, 1, 10 and 100 ng/ml IFN γ for 15' shows similar phosphorylation of STAT1 on tyrosine-701.
- **(D)** Analysis of total STAT1 levels in wild-type JAK2 or JAK2V617F erythroblasts cultured in 0.01 U/ml Epo. No appreciable difference in total STAT1 levels was detected in mutant erythroblasts relative to autologous wild-type erythroblasts in both PV and ET.

Table S2, related to Figure 3. Gene Set Enrichment Analysis – V617F-ET interacting genes

GENE SET NAME	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	ENRICH- MENT SCORE	p-value	FDR q-value
UVC_TTD_4HR_ UP	Up-regulated at 4 hours following treatment of XPB/TTD fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	-2.20	<0.001	0.001
BRCA1_OVEREXP_ DN	Downregulated by induction of exogenous BRCA1 in EcR-293 cells	-2.16	<0.001	0.002
IFNALPHA_HCC_ UP	Upregulated by interferon alpha treatment in Hep3B hepatocellular carcinoma cells	-2.06	<0.001	0.006
MYC_ONCOGENIC_ SIGNATURE	Genes selected in supervised analyses to discriminate cells expressing c-Myc oncogene	-2.03	<0.001	0.007
IFNALPHA_NL_HCC _UP	Upregulated by interferon alpha treatment in both normal primary hepatocytes and Hep3B hepatocellular carcinoma cells	-2.00	<0.001	0.009
BRCA2_BRCA1_UP	Genes up-regulated in BRCA2-linked breast tumors, relative to BRCA1-linked tumors	-1.98	<0.001	0.011
CROMER_ HYPOPHARYNGEAL _MET_VS_NON_DN	Genes increased in non-metastatic hypopharyngeal cancer tumours	-1.87	<0.001	0.033
UVC_TTD_ALL_UP	Up-regulated at any timepoint following treatment of XPB/TTD fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	-1.85	<0.001	0.035
INOS_ALL_DN	Downregulated following iNOS induction in	-1.85	0.002	0.034
IFNALPHA_NL_UP	hepatocytes Upregulated by interferon alpha treatment in both normal primary hepatocytes	-1.81	<0.001	0.044
PENG_GLUTAMINE _DN	Genes downregulated in response to glutamine starvation	-1.79	<0.001	0.049
RADAEVA_IFNA_ UP	Genes up-regulated by interferon-alpha in primary hepatocyte	-1.78	<0.001	0.052
BRENTANI_ TRANSCRIPTION_ FACTOR	Cancer related genes that are also transcription factors	-1.75	0.002	0.065
REOVIRUS_HEK293 _DN	Down-regulated at any timepoint up to 24 hours following infection of HEK293 cells with reovirus strain T3Abney	-1.74	<0.001	0.067
CHEN_HOXA5_ TARGETS_DN	Genes down-regulated in response to HOXA5 expression	-1.73	0.006	0.066

TNFALPHA_30MIN_ UP	Upregulated 30min after TNF-alpha treatment of HeLa cells	-1.72	0.009	0.066
IFN_ALL_UP	Upregulated 2-fold in HT1080 cells 6 hours following treatment with interferons alpha, beta and gamma	-1.71	0.005	0.070
PENG_LEUCINE_ DN	Genes downregulated in response to leucine starvation	-1.65	<0.001	0.114
WALLACE_JAK2_ DIFF	JAK2-dependent genes with a 7-fold change relative to JAK2-null cells	-1.60	0.022	0.154
IFN_GAMMA_UP	Upregulated 2-fold in HT1080 cells 6 hours following treatment with interferon gamma	-1.60	0.005	0.152
GALINDO_ACT_UP	Most significant genes up-regulated by Act in macrophages	-1.59	0.009	0.155
IFN_ALPHA_UP	Upregulated 2-fold in HT1080 cells 6 hours following treatment with interferon alpha	-1.57	0.011	0.169
MOREAUX_TACI_HI _VS_LOW_UP	Genes overexpressed in TACI high patients	-1.56	0.002	0.172

Table S3, related to Figure 3. Gene Set Enrichment Analysis – V617F-PV interacting genes

GENE SET NAME	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	ENRICH- MENT SCORE	p-value	FDR q-value
UVC_TTD_4HR_DN	Down-regulated at 4 hours following treatment of XPB/TTD fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	2.34	<0.001	0.012
POD1_KO_DN	Down-regulated in glomeruli isolated from Pod1 knockout mice versus wild-type controls	2.33	<0.001	0.006
AGED_MOUSE_ HYPOTH_UP	Up-regulated in the hypothalamus of aged (22 months) BALB/c mice, compared to young (2 months) BALB/c mice	2.32	<0.001	0.004
UVC_XPCS_ALL_ DN	Down-regulated at any timepoint following treatment of XPB/CS fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	2.31	<0.001	0.003
UVC_XPCS_4HR_ DN	Down-regulated at 4 hours following treatment of XPB/CS fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	2.29	<0.001	0.005
UVC_XPCS_8HR_ DN	Down-regulated at 8 hours following treatment of XPB/CS fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	2.24	<0.001	0.008
UVC_TTD_ALL_DN	Down-regulated at any timepoint following treatment of XPB/TTD fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	2.23	<0.001	0.007
UVC_HIGH_ALL_DN	Down-regulated at any timepoint following treatment of WS1 human skin fibroblasts with UVC at a high dose UVC	2.21	<0.001	0.006
UVC_HIGH_D2_DN	Down-regulated at day 2 following treatment of WS1 human skin fibroblasts with UVC at a high dose UVC	2.11	<0.001	0.025
BRCA1KO_MEF_DN	Down-regulated in mouse embryonic fibroblasts following targeted deletion of BRCA1	2.09	<0.001	0.034
REOVIRUS_HEK293 _UP	Up-regulated at any timepoint up to 24 hours following infection of HEK293 cells with reovirus strain T3Abney	2.09	<0.001	0.032
UVB_NHEK1_DN	Downregulated by UV-B light in normal human epidermal keratinocytes	2.09	<0.001	0.029
CHEN_HOXA5_ TARGETS_UP	Genes up-regulated in response to HOXA5 expression	2.07	<0.001	0.040

FLECHNER_KIDNEY _TRANSPLANT_ WELL_UP	Genes upreglated in well functioning transplanted kidney biopsies from stable immunosuppressed recipients	2.02	<0.001	0.060
AGEING_BRAIN_UP	Genes upregulated in the human frontal cortex with ageing	2.01	<0.001	0.070
TAKEDA_NUP8_HO XA9_8D_DN	Genes down-regulated at 8 days following expression of NUP98-HOXA9 in CD34+ human hematopoietic stem cells	1.99	<0.001	0.088
ALZHEIMERS_ DISEASE_DN	Downregulated in correlation with overt Alzheimer's Disease	1.99	<0.001	0.085
DIAB_NEPH_DN	Downregulated in the glomeruli of cadaver kidneys from patients with diabetic nephropathy	1.97	<0.001	0.097
UVC_HIGH_D4_DN	Down-regulated at day 4 following treatment of WS1 human skin fibroblasts with UVC at a high dose UVC	1.96	<0.001	0.100
UVB_NHEK3_C2	Regulated by UV-B light in normal human epidermal keratinocytes	1.96	0.002	0.102
GREENBAUM_E2A_ UP	Transcripts up-regulated 3-fold or greater in the E2A-deficient cell lines	1.91	<0.001	0.167
UVC_HIGH_D3_DN	Down-regulated at day 3 following treatment of WS1 human skin fibroblasts with UVC at a high dose UVC	1.91	<0.001	0.168
BRCA1_OVEREXP_ UP	Upregulated by induction of exogenous BRCA1 in EcR-293 cells	1.90	<0.001	0.166
UVC_TTD- XPCS_COMMON_ DN	Down-regulated at any timepoint following treatment of both XPB/CS and XPB/TTD fibroblasts with 3 J/m^2 UVC	1.90	<0.001	0.161
UVB_SCC_UP	Upregulated by UV-B light in squamous cell carcinoma cells	1.88	0.002	0.190

Table S4, related to Figure 3. Interferon responsive genes in JAK2V617F targets.

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	CTXN1 ABHD14B		
	LOC113179		
	IFI44L		
	TRAP1		
	MX1 GBP2		
	POLRMT		
	SLC7A6OS		
	WDR74		
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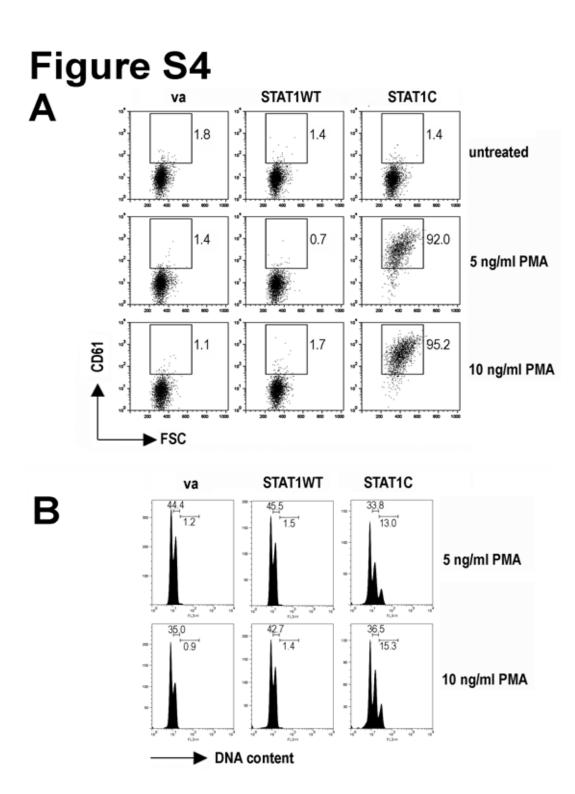


Figure S4, related to Figure 4.

- **(A)** Representative FACS profiles showing increased numbers of CD61-expressing cells in the STAT1C-infected cultures following treatment with low doses of PMA. The data are representative of three independent experiments.
- **(B)** Representative histograms depicting increased numbers of polyploid (>4n) cells in STAT1C-infected K562 cultures following treatment with low doses of PMA. The data are representative of three independent experiments.

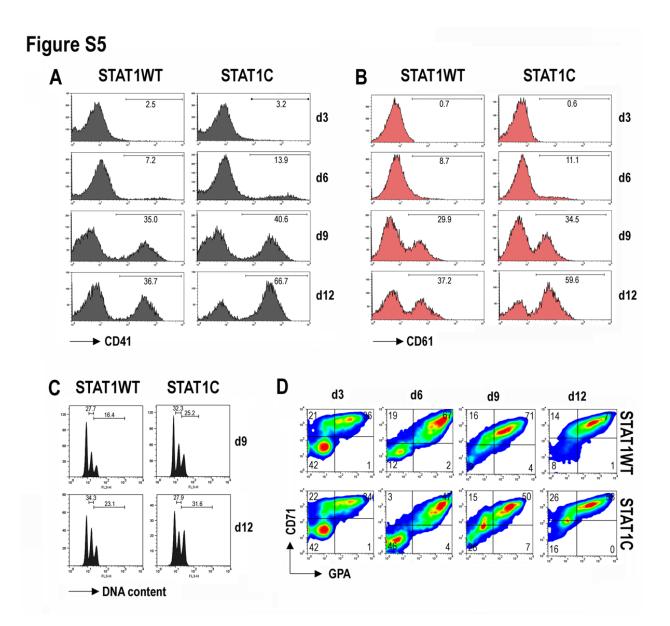


Figure S5, related to Figure 5.

(A) Representative FACS profiles showing increased CD41 cell surface expression and cell size analysis in constitutively active STAT1 (STAT1C)-transduced CD34⁺ cells after 9 and 12 days of growth in media supporting megakaryocyte differentiation. The data are representative of 2 independent experiments.

- **(B)** Representative FACS profiles showing increased CD61 cell surface expression and cell size analysis in STAT1C-transduced CD34⁺ cells after 9 and 12 days of growth in media supporting megakaryocyte differentiation. The data are representative of 2 independent experiments.
- **(C)** Histograms depicting increased numbers of polyploid (>4n) cells in constitutively active STAT1 (STAT1C)-transduced cord blood-derived CD34⁺ cells following 9 and 12 days of growth in media supporting megakaryocyte differentiation. The data are representative of 2 independent experiments.
- **(D)** Representative FACS profiles showing decreased glycophorin A (GPA) and CD71 cell surface expression in constitutively active STAT1 (STAT1C)-transduced cord blood derived CD34⁺ cells following 9 and 12 days of growth in media supporting erythroid differentiation. The data are representative of 2 independent experiments.

SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Expression profiling data processing

Fluorescent images were obtained using the Illumina Beadarray Reader, and fluorescence intensity data were extracted and quantified using Beadstudio. Data was subjected to background reduction, then filtered for those genes present in at least 75% of all samples, prior to standardization by quantiles normalization using the lumi package on R. Covariate adjustments for age, gender and treatment was performed using a linear regression model. Statistically significant interaction between V617F with each disease subtype were determined using Pinheiro's linear mixed effects (LME) package on R. The Storey q-value procedure was applied to control the false discovery rate (FDR) (Storey and Tibshirani, 2003). Hierarchical clustering was performed using Euclidean distance and complete linkage using the Cluster and Treeview software package. Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) was performed to analyze enrichment of gene sets following the developer's protocol (http://www.broad.mit.edu/gsea/), but using a more stringent FDR cut-off of 20% in view of the relatively small number of gene sets being analyzed.

Real-time quantitative PCR

Reverse transcription was performed on 100 ng total RNA using Superscript III (Invitrogen), and quantitative RT-PCR was performed using Brilliant SYBR Green QPCR Master Mix (Stratagene). according to manufacturer's protocols. The primers used for the PCR are: PIM1-fwd: CGAGCATGACGAAGAGATCAT; PIM1-rev: TCGAAGGTTGGCCTATCTGA; CISH-fwd: CTCCACAGCCAGCAAAGG; CISH-rev: CGGGCACACACATGTACCTA; IFI44L-fwd: CAGTTGCGCAGATGATTTTC: CAATTTAAGCCTGATCTAACCCC: GBP2-fwd: IFI44L-rev: GCAAGTTGATCTCTGGAGCC; GBP2-rev: GGACTCGACTTTCACATTGGA; IRF1-fwd: CTTCCATGGGATCTGGAAGA; IRF1-rev: GACCCTGGCTAGAGATGCAG; HLAF-fwd: GTGGCCTCATGGTCAGAGAT; HLAF-rev: GCTCCGCAGATACTTGGAGA; IFITM3-fwd: CCAACCATCTTCCTGTCCC, IFITM3-rev: ATGTCGTCTGGTCCCTGTTC; ACTIN-fwd: GTTGTCGACGACGAGCG; ACTIN-rev: GCACAGAGCCTCGCCTT. Results were calculated for each individual patient using the delta-delta-Ct method with β-actin as an internal control, and expressed as the ratio of expression of a given gene in the V617F-heterozygous sample to that in the corresponding wild-type samples. All PCRs were performed in triplicate.

Erythroid colony processing for flow cytometry, immunocytochemistry and immunoblotting

Individual BFU-E colonies grown in 0.01U/ml Epo were plucked into 100 µl PBS and stored on ice for no more than 4 h. For each colony, 5 μl was denatured at 95°C for 15 min to release cellular DNA, and genotyped and assigned JAK2 mutation statuses as described previously. Wild-type and V617Fheterozygous colonies were pooled, washed once in 1x PBS prior to downstream applications. For flow cytometry, pooled cells were staining for either CD71-PE (eBiosciences) and GPA-FITC (BD Biosciences), or fixed in 3% formaldehyde/MeOH prior to staining for intracellular pSTAT1 levels using an Alexafluor 488-conjugated pSTAT1 antibody (BD Biosciences). For pSTAT5 or pSTAT1 immunocytochemical staining, at least 3 colonies were cytospun onto glass slides and fixed in a 1:1 MeOH:acetone solution at -20°C overnight. Cells were subjected to blocking in 1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) in PBS + 0.05% Tween-20 (PBST), stained overnight with a pSTAT5- or pSTAT1specific antibody (Cell Signaling), and visualized by staining with a phycoerythricin-conjugated antirabbit secondary antibody for 1 hour. Cells were also counter-stained with β-actin (Sigma) to visualize the cytoplasm and were mounted in a DAPI-containing mounting solution. Fluorescent micrographs were taken on a Zeiss Axioscop 2 fluorescent miscroscope. pSTAT5 or pSTAT1 staining was quantified for at least 50 individual cells using the Isis Imaging System (MetaSystems GmbH). Cells with >10% PE signal relative to DAPI were considered positive. For immunoblotting, equal numbers of wild-type and JAK2 mutant colonies were pooled and lysed directly into 2x SDS-PAGE loading buffer, denatured at 95°C for 5' and loaded directly onto acrylamide gels.

Cell line cultures and transfection

K562 cells were cultured in RPMI supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum, L-glutamine and penicillin/streptomycin. The JAK2-null γ 2A cells were cultured in DMEM supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum. For IFN γ hypersensitivity assays, γ 2A cells at ~50% confluency were transfected with JAK2-expressing constructs using Fugene 6 Transfection Reagent (Roche), and treated with 0, 1, 10 and 100 ng/ml IFN γ (R&D Systems) for 15 minutes.

Plasmid constructions and lentivirus production

STAT1-expressing constructs were generated by cloning the full length FLAG-STAT1 cDNA or the constitutively active FLAG-STAT1C cDNA (a kind gift from Dr. David Frank, Harvard University) into the PacI site of the pLKO.3G vector. The STAT1 dominant negative (STAT1DN) construct was made by replacing the STAT1 Tyr701 in the pLKO.3G-STAT1 plasmid with a phenylalanine residue using the QuikChange XL kit (Stratagene). All clones were subsequently sequenced to ensure no additional mutations were present. Viral supernatants were produced by co-transfecting the pLKO.3G-STAT1 constructs into 293T packaging cell line along with two helper plasmids, psPAX2 and pMD2.G,

supernatants were collected following 24h and 48h, and concentrated by ultracentrifugation at 28,000 rpm for 2 h.

K562 differentiation assays

K562 cells were cultured in RPMI supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum. Cells in log phase were infected by STAT1-expressing lentiviruses by spinoculation for 2h in the presence of 4 μ g/mI polybrene. K562 cells were differentiated into erythroid and megakaryocytic lineages using 50 μ M hemin and 50 ng/mI PMA, respectively. DNA content analysis, benzidine staining and GpIX and γ -globin expression on differentiated K562 cells were performed as previously described (Huo et al., 2006).

Cord blood CD34⁺ MNC purification and erythroid/megakaryocytic differentiation

Cord blood CD34⁺ differentiation was performed as previously described (Ugo et al., 2004) with modifications. Cord blood mononuclear cells were obtained from cord blood over a ficoll gradient, and CD34⁺ cells were selected using a magnetic cell sorting system (Miltenyi Biotec), according to the manufacturer's protocols. The purity of recovered cells was always greater than 90% as determined by flow cytometry. Purified CD34⁺ cells were expanded ex vivo in SFEM medium supplemented with 100 ng/ml Flt3 ligand and 10 ng/ml recombinant human thrombopoietin (rhTPO) for 2 days, followed by infection with STAT1-expressing lentiviruses by spinoculation for 2h in the presence of 4 μg/ml polybrene. Cells were seeded at 1x10⁴ cells/well of a 24-well dish, and cultured with SFEM medium supplemented with 25 ng/ml recombinant human stem cell factor (rhSCF), 0.5 U/ml recombinant human erythropoietin (rhEPO), 30 μg/ml holo-transferrin, 10 nM β-mercaptoethanol and 4 μg/ml dexamethasone to induce erythroid differentiation, or SFEM supplemented with 25 ng/ml rhSCF, 100 ng/ml rhTPO to induce megakaryocyte differentiation. At day 6, cells were transferred to a 6-well dish and supplemented with fresh media. For flow cytometry analysis, cells were taken at day 3, 6, 9 and 12, and stained with GPA and CD71 to detect erythroid cells, and with CD41 or CD61 to quantify megakaryocytes. For real-time qPCR analysis, GFP+ cells were sorted at day 9 and 12 using a FACS Vantage cytometer (Becton-Dickinson) equipped with an argon laser.

Western blot analyses

Western blot analyses were performed on total cell lysates using the following antibodies: anti-JAK2 (Imgenex), anti-pY701-STAT1 (Cell Signaling), anti-STAT1 (Santa Cruz), pSTAT5 (Cell Signaling), anti-pY694-STAT5 (Santa Cruz) and anti-β-actin (Sigma).

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